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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY

The following amendment and remarks are responsive to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated November 25, 2002.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 37, lines 9-18 with the following replacement paragraph:

This example describes experiments to characterize binding between MM-Ga and the following mono-serine fluorescein-labeled peptide tracer:

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fluorescein-Leu-Arg-Arg-Ala-Ser-Leu-Gly (SEQ ID NO: 1)